# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
# LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL MEAT BOARD
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**Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is planning to invest Rs. 50,000 crore in the food processing industry during the Eleventh Plan (2007-12);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is considering to set up a National Meat Board to promote meat processing industry; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a) & (b): Government will be promoting the setting up of food processing industries and other related activities through various Plan schemes during the Eleventh Plan period through financial assistance and other incentives. The investment proposals for the Eleventh Plan are being finalized in consultation with the Planning Commission.

(c) & (d): It is proposed to set up a National Meat Board for overseeing the growth and further promotion of Meat and Poultry sector in the country. This has been considered necessary because of a felt need for a focused intervention in meat and poultry sector. The proposed Board will inter alia,
(i) lay down policies for healthy development of the sector
(ii) evolve standards of hygiene and quality
(iii) support R&D and
(iv) organize capacity building efforts.